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LANE CLOSURES SCHEDULED FOR SAN DIEGO FREEWAY (WEEKLY UPDATE)

INGLEWOOD – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close various lanes, ramps, and connectors on the northbound and southbound San Diego Freeway (I-405), from Jefferson Boulevard to Imperial Highway, for High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane and soundwall construction each day, Monday, December 12 through Friday, December 16, from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m., weather permitting. Both day and night work will take place. At least one regular use lane on the freeway and one collector lane, in each direction, will be open to traffic at all times. The closures are as follows:

NIGHTLY, MONDAY, DECEMBER 12 THROUGH FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16:

On northbound I-405, up to two lanes from Manchester Boulevard to Braddock Drive; northbound I-405 collector to I-105; La Tijera Boulevard off-ramp; and the Slauson Avenue/Sepulveda Boulevard off-ramp will be closed nightly from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m.

On southbound I-405, up to two lanes from Jefferson Boulevard to La Cienega Boulevard; up to two lanes from La Cienega Boulevard to the Century Boulevard offramp; up to two lanes from Century Boulevard to Imperial Highway; southbound I-405 collector to I-105; La Cienega Boulevard on-ramp; Sepulveda Boulevard/Centinela Boulevard on-ramp will be closed nightly from approximately 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. The Sepulveda Boulevard/Centinela Boulevard on and off-ramps; and the La Tijera Boulevard on-ramp will be closed daily from approximately 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. and again from 7 p.m. until 6 a.m.

The \$34.7 million I-405 HOV lane project started construction in spring, 2003. The project will add 5.1 miles of HOV lanes in both the northbound and southbound directions along I-405 between Route 105 and Route 90. Soundwalls will be built at various locations. The time frame for completion is winter, 2006.

Caltrans reminds motorists to "Slow For The Cone Zone".

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